



Mayor's Report

Updated February 16, 2018

Please note: this is a working document and is updated frequently.

Upcoming City Council meeting dates are subject to change.

Topic	Most Recent Discussion – Click to View Webcast	Additional Resources	What's Next?
Budget Budget Committee	06.26.17	More Information Here	The Budget Subcommittee to Review and approve Service Profiles met 11.08.17 and 11.15.17. Budget Committee Workshop scheduled for 03.05.18.
Divestment from U.S. Bank			The City of Eugene's current contract expires on October 31, 2018. The contract will be re-evaluated when it is due for renewal. A Work Session is scheduled for 02.21.18.
Marijuana Revenue	02.27.17	Staff Contact: Mike Streepey More Information Here	Eugene voters approved ordinance in November 2016, imposing a 3% tax on retail sales of recreational marijuana items. Council took action to amend Eugene Code authorizing tax on 02.27.17.
System Development Charges (SDCs)	04.22.15	Staff Contact: Louranah Janeski More Information Here	SDCs are impact fees that are collected when expansion, new development, or intensification of use occurs on property served by City infrastructure. Local rates increased 09.01.17 due to the annual inflationary increase.

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Climate Climate Recovery Ordinance	11.22.17	Staff Contact: Chelsea Clinton More Information Here	The CRO was updated in 2016. An update and proposal for the Community Climate and Energy Action Plan (CEAP) came to Council at the 11.22.17 Work Session. Staff is currently implementing the work identified.
Oil Trains	01.25.17	Staff Contact: Ethan Nelson	City Council passed Resolution opposing transportation of oil by rail on 01.25.17 - this resolution calls attention to railroad safety.
Downtown City Hall	02.14.18	More Information Here	At the 02.14.18 Meeting, Council directed the City Manager to execute an amendment to the purchase and sale agreement reflective of Lane County's January 19, 2018 four point primary proposal with the addition of a December 1, 2018 deadline for resolution of the legal uncertainties regarding the butterfly lot and update to the appraisal.
Kesey Square	10.18.17	Staff Contact: Michael Kinnison	After a recommendation from the Mayor's Ad Hoc Naming Committee, City Council voted to change the name of Broadway Plaza to Kesey Square. The Council voted against a Metro Plan amendment and concurrent zone change to change the square from its current C-3 Zone.
MUPTE	07.27.16	Staff Contact: Amanda Nobel-Flannery More Information Here	MUPTE Review Panel meets on annual basis for third-party review of program – most recent September 2016. Review of applications conducted as needed.

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Park Blocks and Open Space	02.15.17	Staff Contact: Colette Ramirez and Will Dowdy More Information Here	Project for Public Spaces – EUGfun! Had more than 100 successful free, family-friendly events this summer, expanding downtown offerings. Additionally, there was increased police presence, increased supervision of downtown and urban parks, social service networking, and power washing of sidewalks and alleys.
Public Safety	11.27.17	Staff Contact: Julie Smith	Council adopted an ordinance establishing a temporary dog restriction in a specific area of downtown Eugene. The pilot ended 11.01.17. Police have increased patrol downtown and the City hired more park ambassadors for the summer months.
Urban Renewal District	07.19.17	Staff Contact: Amanda Nobel-Flannery More Information Here	City Council approved ordinance amending Downtown Urban Renewal Plan, making four projects eligible for urban renewal funds – with public hearing process before City Council. At 07.19.17 Work Session, Council approved the process to appoint a Riverfront Urban Renewal Advisory Committee and seven committee members were appointed on 10.23.17.
Economic Development EWEB Riverfront Development	1.31.18	Staff Contact: Denny Braud More Information Here	Council approved EWEB Riverfront Master Plan in July 2013. The City's Urban Renewal Agency has a purchase agreement with EWEB to acquire the property. DEQ determined that EWEB properly cleaned up the land and is ready for redevelopment. The City entered into an

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			<p>agreement with Williams/Dame & Associates Inc. that gives them the exclusive right to negotiate a deal to purchase and redevelop the site.</p> <p>Riverfront Update to Council on 01.31.18.</p> <p>Work Session on expanding boundary for downtown riverfront property purchase scheduled 02.26.18.</p>
High-Speed Fiber	04.13.16	<p>Staff Contact: Anne Fifield</p> <p>More Information Here</p>	<p>The High-Speed Fiber Project is part of the Downtown Renewal Plan Amendment approved by Council in 2016. Construction began in early 2017. About 120 downtown Eugene buildings will be connected to world-class internet.</p>
Marijuana Regulations	07.19.17	<p>Staff Contact: Mike McKerrow</p>	<p>Council had two Work Sessions to discuss implementing 1,000 ft. buffer between marijuana businesses - on 03.15.17 and 07.19.17. Council chose not to pursue an ordinance on this issue at either session.</p>
Regional Accelerator and Innovation Network (RAIN)		<p>Staff Contact: Anne Fifield</p> <p>More Information Here</p>	<p>RAIN was funded by the Oregon State Legislature in 2013 to advance the formation of high-growth innovative startup companies throughout the South Willamette Valley - creating a network of resources in government, higher education, and the business community.</p>
<p>Homelessness</p> <p>Community Court</p>	06.15.16	<p>Staff Contact: Cheryl Stone</p> <p>More Information Here</p>	<p>Community Court became fully operational in September 2016 after receiving a \$200,000 grant to implement the program– a team of Public safety representatives, community members, and</p>

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			<p>service providers work together to address the underlying challenges that may lead to criminal behavior, and give the justice system meaningful options to handle lower-level offenses. In its first year, there were 529 defendants cited to the court and 349 walk-in referrals.</p>
Public Shelter	01.08.18	Staff Contact: Regan Watjus	<p>Council had a Work Session on 01.08.18 to discuss the options around a public shelter for emergency housing. The City and County are working on a feasibility study for a public shelter.</p>
Rest Stop Program	01.08.18	Staff Contact: Regan Watjus More Information Here	<p>On 02.27.17, Council voted to remove sunset dates of Rest Stop and Dawn to Dawn Programs, making them permanent. Council got a Rest Stop Program Update at 01.08.18 Work Session and voted to approve the Amazon Drive site as a Rest Stop on 01.08.18.</p>
Housing Construction Excise Tax	12.13.17	Staff Contact: Stephanie Jennings	<p>The Housing Policy Board made a recommendation to Council at the 12.13.17 Work Session related to a Construction Excise Tax. There will be a broader community conversation before this decision comes back to Council.</p>
Inclusionary Zoning	04.12.17	Staff Contact: Stephanie Jennings	<p>In 2016, the Oregon Legislature passed SB 1533, lifting the state preemption on Inclusionary Zoning. At the 04.12.17 work session, Council asked staff to return with more detailed policy options to consider.</p>

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Rental Housing Code	01.25.17	Staff Contact: Rachelle Nicholas More Information Here	The Rental Housing Code was created in 2005. During the Council Work Session on 01.25.17, Council voted to adopt the amended code, expanding certain criteria and ended the sunset clause, making the program permanent.
Tenant Rights	02.21.17	Staff Contact: Stephanie Jennings More Information Here	The City of Eugene Human Rights Code prohibits discrimination in housing. At 02.21.17 Work Session, Council expressed interest in exploring strategies for residential improvements, rehabilitation programs, and ways to provide housing needs.
Human Rights Ordinance on Protections for Individuals	03.13.17	Staff Contact: Mia Cariaga	City Council voted to adopt an ordinance that states that City staff resources will not be used to detect or apprehend individuals whose only violation of the law is presence in the US in violation of federal immigration law. The ordinance is based on existing state law. The ordinance went into effect on 04.15.17.
Police Police Chief Recruitment		Staff Contact: City Manager's Office More Information Here	The City of Eugene is working with Strategic Government Resources to assist with efforts to recruit and hire a new Police Chief. Many outreach events were scheduled for summer/fall 2017. The job posting was finalized using feedback from the community. David James is currently serving as Interim Executive Police Director while permanent chief is selected.

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Fireworks	10.25.17 11.20.17	Staff Contacts: Lieutenant Bills and Chief Zaludek More Information Here	A Public Hearing was held on 11.20.17 concerning fireworks restrictions. No recent action has been taken by Council.
Planning Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)	09.13.17	Staff Contact: Kevin Holman More Information Here	CERT educates people about disaster preparedness and trains them to assist first responders in a disaster situation. An Emergency Management Program Update was presented to Council on 09.13.17.
Envision Eugene	07.17.17	Staff Contact: Terri Harding More Information Here	Current stage: Envision Eugene Comprehensive Plan.
Urban Growth Boundary	07.17.17	Staff Contact: Terri Harding More Information Here	The UGB formal adoption process began in January 2017. On 07.17.17, the City Council voted to adopt the UGB adoption package as provided in their meeting materials. Lane County Board of Commissioners adopted on 08.08.17. DLCD approved the UGB expansion on 10.30.17.
Parks and Recreation Master Plan	01.12.18	Staff Contacts: Craig Carnegy & Craig Smith More Information Here	Parks and Open Space and Recreation Services launched a process to establish a plan for future of Parks and Recreation System. Two outcomes include a 30- year vision for parks and recreation and a 10- year implementation plan. Update brought and plan implementation brought to Council at 01.10.18 and 01.22.18 Work Sessions. Council placed both a levy and bond measure on the May 15, 2018 ballot to fund parks and recreation projects.
River Road/Santa Clara Neighborhood Plan	11.08.17	Staff Contact: Zach Galloway	The 1987 River Road-Santa Clara Urban Facilities Plan is being updated by

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		More Information Here	<p>gathering neighborhood concerns. Outreach is being conducted by River Road and Santa Clara community organizations, the City of Eugene, Lane county, and other stakeholders. A 2-year planning process will create a Community Vision that will guide future decision-making.</p>
South Willamette Concept Plan	04.26.17	<p>Staff Contacts: Terri Harding & Jennifer Lleras Van Der Haeghen</p> More Information Here	<p>At the 04.26.17 meeting, Council passed Councilor Evan’s motion to direct Neighborhood Involvement staff to continue work on the South Willamette process with neighbors and enable our limited planning staff to devote more attention to other neighborhoods in the queue for planning.</p>
South Willamette Street Improvement Plan	01.23.17	<p>Staff Contacts: Chris Henry</p> More Information Here	<p>The goal of the Improvement Plan is to help South Willamette Street become a vibrant urban corridor accessible by bicycle, foot, car, and bus. Construction was completed in 2016, followed by a pilot study – results were presented to Council in January 2017. More improvements are expected in 2018 with construction of pavement preservation project.</p>
Transportation Emerald Express (EmX)/Moving Ahead	04.25.16	<p>Staff Contact: Chris Henry</p> More Information Here	<p>The City of Eugene and Lane Transit District are working with regional partners and the community to improve our most important transportation corridors – looking at each corridor to understand what types of investments are needed. LTD will ask Council to select a “Locally Preferred Alternative” (LPA) for each corridor.</p>

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Railroad Quiet Zone	07.19.17	Staff Contact: Mark Schoening More Information Here	<p>Final Report on Railroad Quiet Zone submitted to City Council December 2016.</p> <p>At 05.10.17 Work Session, Council approved a motion to accept the safety measures for each of the ten rail crossings as recommended by the Railroad Quiet Zone Citizen Panel. A Work Session on funding strategies for the safety measures will be held at a later date. Council/URA is discussing expanding the Urban Renewal District to include two railroad quiet zone crossings to make them eligible for future Urban Renewal funds.</p>
Public Passenger Vehicles	11.13.17	Staff Contact: Denny Braud More Information Here	<p>In 2015, the Eugene City Council updated City code to allow vehicles for hire in Eugene to use smart phone applications to calculate and charge fares and gave direction to update administrative rules to accommodate new transportation models while maintaining community safety standards such as driver background checks and insurance requirements. A public hearing will be scheduled that will allow administrative changes to insurance and vehicle inspection requirements.</p>
Road Bonds	07.12.17	Staff Contact: Brian Richardson More Information Here	<p>The November GO Bond measure passed and will fund \$51.2 million of street and bicycle and pedestrian projects over five years. The Street Repair Review Panel helped develop recommendations for the November bond measure.</p>

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Transportation System Plan	06.26.17	Staff Contact: Rob Inerfeld More Information Here	The City of Eugene's Transportation Planning Team works with community stakeholders and agency partners to develop and implement short and long-range plans. City Council adopted the Eugene 2035 TSP on 06.26.17 with an amendment to develop an implementation plan to guide progress in meeting CRO and Vision Zero goals.
Vision Zero	05.10.17	Staff Contact: Rob Inerfeld More Information Here	In November 2015, Council adopted the Vision Zero Resolution that set as official policy the goal that no loss of life or serious injury on Eugene's transportation system is acceptable. The Vision Zero Task Force held a Draft Action Plan and Open House on 11.2.17.